FISCAL NOTE

HB 3846 - SB 4019

February 11, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Sullivan County legislative body to increase the litigation tax from \$10 to \$25, with the funds to be used for courthouse security.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Revenue – \$112,500/Permissive/FY08-09 \$225,000/Permissive/ FY09-10 and Succeeding Years

Assumptions:

- According to the Sullivan County Circuit Court Clerk, the litigation tax is currently \$15.
- The tax increase will increase local government revenue by \$225,000. It is estimated that this fee will be collected in 75% of cases filed (30,000 cases $x $10 \times 0.75 = $225,000$).
- Due to case disposition time lag, only 50% of fees will be collected in the first year.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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